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Dear Madam:

I have the honor to send you a special copy of the History of the Smithsonian Institution for the first half century of its existence. I trust that you will be pleased with the print of the portrait of Professor Gray, who was for a long time a valued Regent of the Institution.

Very respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "S. P. Langley".

Secretary.

Mrs. Asa Gray,

Botanic Garden,

Cambridge, Massachusetts.